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SUBJECT: EC DEMARCHE TO SYRIANS

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1. BELGIAN EMBASSY COUNSELOR WILLEMS CALLED DEPTOFF JAN. 4
TO SAY THAT BELGIAN FOREIGN MINISTER IS CONSIDERING
BRINGING UP BEFORE EC POLITICAL COMMITTEE ON JANUARY 11
QUESTION OF SYRIA'S REFUSAL TO RESPECT GENEVA CONVENTION
OBLIGATIONS REGARDING ISRAELI PRISONERS OF WAR. WILLEMS
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SAID FOREIGN MINISTER'S INTENTION IS TO GET EUROPEAN 9
TO MAKE A DEMARCHE TO SYRIA. HOWEVER, BELGIANS WANT TO
KNOW USG VIEWS ABOUT DESIRABILITY OF THIS STEP.

2. DEPTOFF GAVE WILLEMS FOLLOWING RESPONSE ON JANUARY 7:
QUOTE: THE POSITION BELGIUM IS RECOMMENDING IS CONSISTENT
WITH OUR POSITION, AND WE APPRECIATE BELGIUM'S CONSULTING
WITH US ON THIS MATTER. ANY INITIATIVES THAT THE BELGIANS
OR THE EUROPEANS AS A GROUP TAKE SHOULD BE CLEARLY A
EUROPEAN INITIATIVE WITHOUT ANY INDICATION TO THE SYRIANS
OR OTHERS OF CONSULTATIONS OR COORDINATION WITH THE U.S.
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